

**U.S. Embassy Djibouti, Djibouti**  
**Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Updated Holiday Security Reminder**  
**December 24, 2014**

As we enter this holiday season, U.S. Embassy Djibouti reminds U.S. citizens of the continued threat of potential terrorist attacks in the country. The U.S. Embassy advises U.S. citizens to review their personal crisis response plans, remain vigilant, and exercise caution in areas frequented by westerners. U.S. citizens are also advised to maintain a high level of vigilance at all times and take appropriate steps to enhance their personal security.

U.S. Embassy Djibouti is taking prudential measures to enhance security. Only individuals with pre-approved visa interview appointments will be able to enter the consular section. U.S. citizens with after-hours emergencies should call +(253) 77-87-72-29. In addition, in response to the [Worldwide Travel Alert](#) issued on December 19 that alerts U.S. citizens that an analysis of past attacks and threat reporting world-wide strongly suggests a focus by terrorists not only on the targeting of U.S. government facilities but also on hotels, shopping areas, places of worship, and schools, among other targets, during or coinciding with this holiday period, Embassy personnel will be restricted from the downtown business district area on December 24, 25, December 31 and January 1.

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Djibouti enroll in the Department of State's [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) at [www.Travel.State.Gov](http://www.Travel.State.Gov). STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the [State Department's website](#), where you can find current [Travel Warnings](#), [Travel Alerts](#), and the [Worldwide Caution](#). Read the [Country Specific Information for Djibouti](#).

Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to have travel information at your fingertips.

The U.S. Embassy in Djibouti is located at Lotissement Haramous Lot # 350B, tel. + (253) 21-45-30-00. You can contact the Consular Section of the Embassy via email at [ConsularDjibouti@State.gov](mailto:ConsularDjibouti@State.gov). For after-hours emergencies, please call + (253) 77-87-72-29.